

# **METHOD AND APPARATUS FOR AUTOMATING SOFTWARE UPGRADES**

## **ABSTRACT OF THE DISCLOSURE**

Method and apparatus for upgrading a software on a customer system are provided. In one embodiment, a method for upgrading a software on a customer system comprises: receiving, by a supplier system, a software inventory from the customer system; verifying one or more business contracts for the software inventory utilizing one or more databases connected to the supplier system; and determining one or more software upgrade releases for the software inventory utilizing a product topology database connected to the supplier system.